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Re: Request for Final Release of Reclamation Surety, Energy Fuels Nuclear, Inc., Far West Mine,
M/037/019, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is in response to your recent telephone inquiry regarding the status of reclamation release at the Far West Mine. The Division currently holds a reclamation surety in the amount of \$2,300 for revegetation success at this site. The last Division inspection of this site was on November 2, 1995 (copy of inspection memo attached). At the time of that inspection the revegetation at the site had survived three growing seasons. The site was considered to be stable with minor areas of poor revegetation success. The memo suggested releasing the site if the BLM was in agreement.

Shortly after your request I contacted Sal Venticinque, of the BLM Moab Office by telephone to discuss the matter. He informed me that a documented site inspection would need to be performed by BLM staff before they could release this site. Such an inspection could not occur until sometime this spring 1997.

The Division will not be able to release the reclamation surety for the Far West Mine until written permission for release is received from the BLM. If you have any further questions in this regard please contact me by phone at (801) 538-5267.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Attachment: copy of Nov. 2, 1995 inspection memo
cc: Sal Venticinque, Moab BLM
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